

# ABSTRACT

The invention relates to an apparatus for the actuation of at least one pivotable external element of a vehicle (6, 7, 8, 15, 16), in particular of a top element of a convertible vehicle (2), with at least one pivot joint (10A, 10B, 10C, 10D, 10E, 10F, 11A, 11B, 13A, 13B, 14A, 14B, 17A, 17B) and a drive (18, 19, 20, 21, 22) being provided for the pivoting of the external element of the vehicle (6, 7, 8, 15, 16). In this connection, the drive is made as an electric motor (18, 19, 20, 21, 22) which introduces a drive torque directly into the at least one pivot joint (10A, 10B, 11A, 11B, 13A, 13B, 14A, 14B, 17A, 17B).

(Fig. 1)